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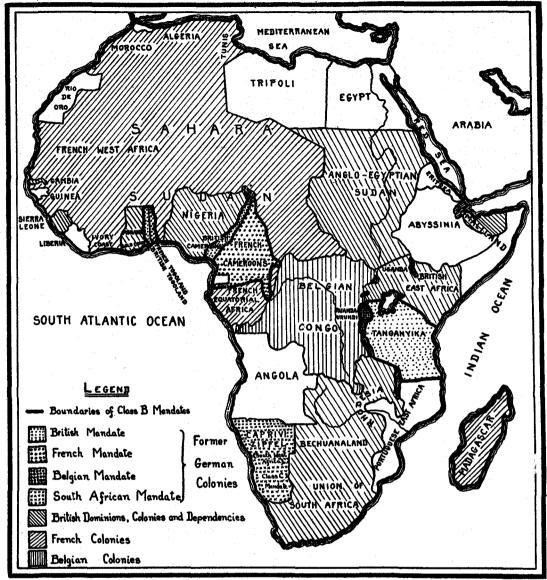
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Colonial vs. Mandate Administration THE CLASS B MANDATES IN AFRICA

Germany's former African colonies now under Class B Mandate were taken over by the Allied powers after the war, ostensibly on the ground that German colonial administration had been so despotic and unenlightened that their return to the Reich was impossible. The Allies, in their reply to the German observations on the peace terms, charged Germany with serious "dereliction in the field of colonial civilization," and indicted her administration for cruelty, forced labor and militarization. They could not, they said, assume the responsibility of again abandoning thirteen or fourteen million natives to a fate from which the war had delivered them.

Under the mandate system as defined in the League Covenant and terms of the mandates, the Allies, in taking over the colonies, assumed a trusteeship over backward peoples which was to be regarded as "a sacred trust of civilization." As mandatories acting on behalf of the League they were not only to guarantee freedom of conscience and religion, to promote material and moral well-being and social progress, but also to protect the natives from such abuses as slavery, arms traffic, liquor traffic and militarization.

The mandate system in Africa has been functioning for several years, and the administrative records of the different mandated territories are now available. In the light of these recent reports it is possible to review Germany's administration of her former colonies as compared with that of the same territories by the mandatory powers. This report contains the results of a brief but impartial survey of the two administrations, together with a summary of the origins of the mandate system. whole mandates question has assumed added importance in view of a possible redistribution of some of the African mandates, by which Germany might participate in the mandate system. Germany's failure to enter the League at this time, however, has probably postponed any official action until next fall.



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SKETCH MAP OF AFRICA

TERRITORIES UNDER CLASS B MANDATE

Each of the former German colonies of East Africa, Togoland and Kamerun, when transferred to the Allies, was divided into two sections under different mandatories. German East Africa has been separated into Tanganyika, under British mandate, with an area of 373,500 square miles and a population of 4,107,000; and Ruanda-Urundi, under Belgian mandate, with an area of 20,000 square miles and a population of 3,500,000. Kamerun has been divided into British Cameroons, under British mandate, with an area of 31,000 square miles and a population of 555,000; and French Cameroons, under British mandate, with an area of 555,000; and French Cameroons, under British mandate, with an area of 555,000; and French Cameroons, under British mandate, with an area of 555,000; and French Cameroons, un-

der French mandate, with an area of 166, 489 square miles and a population of 2,771,-132. Togoland has also been divided between France and Great Britain as mandatories; British Togoland comprises 12,600 square miles and 188,265 inhabitants, and French Togoland, 22,000 square miles and 762,208 inhabitants.

The territories are rich in agricultural products such as sisal hemp, coffee, cotton, copra, palm oil, and are capable of intensive and extended cultivation. A majority of the inhabitants belong to native tribes incapable of responsible self-government. The number of European inhabitants is negligible.

DEVELOPMENT OF GERMAN COLONIAL ADMINISTRATION

The German Empire, which did not achieve national unity until 1871, was a late comer in the field of colonial expansion. The colonies of East Africa, Kamerun and Togoland were peacefully acquired in 1884-85 by treaties with native chiefs as a result of penetration by traders and missionaries; their acquisition was subsequently confirmed by understandings with Great Britain and France.

At first the new colonies were entrusted to chartered companies possessing sovereign rights. This system proved a complete failure. The companies lacked power, money, prestige and national support and they could neither develop the vast resources at their disposal nor protect their territories. Their failure precipitated native uprisings and necessitated intervention and gradual assumption of colonial administration by the German Government.

At the outset, the Imperial Government was handicapped in its colonial administration by inexperience and by the chaotic conditions inherited from the misrule of the companies, as well as by administrative indifference and popular apathy. The administration was forced into granting concessions to land and mining companies in order to push development work, and many of the evils of company management were repeated.

Thus the experimental years were full of mistakes, exploitation and often cruel repression of natives, and colonial scandals of all kinds. Unscrupulous adventurers, officials and commercial companies used the inexperience of the government to exploit the natives and the land for their own gain.

The experimental period came to an end in 1906, when a separate Colonial Office under an imperial minister was created, and a centralized and scientific colonial policy inaugurated. By 1914, much had been done in the fields of public education, public health, and social progress.

Educational work in the German colonies was mostly in the hands of the missionary societies, but the mission schools, which constituted four-fifths of the total number of schools, were heavily subsidized and supervised by the government. In addition, the government had begun to extend its own system of schools into the colonies, with special emphasis on vocational education.

In the field of public health remarkable work had been done, particularly in prevention of tropical diseases. For instance, great progress had been made in the attempt to stamp out sleeping sickness. Social and economic conditions had also been greatly improved. The colonies were just beginning to constitute an economic asset to Germany when she was deprived of them by the great war.

EVENTS OF THE WAR

The acquisition by Germany of East Africa, Togoland and Kamerun in 1884-1885, had blocked Great Britain's dream of a continuous stretch of British territory from "Cape to Cairo," interfered with France's growing desire for a vast north central empire, and hampered Belgium's expansion in the Congo. The steady succession of "deals" and "compromises" represented by the Berlin Congress of 1884, the Anglo-German Agreement of 1890, the Franco-German agreements of 1906 and of 1911 are striking witnesses to this constant conflict of interests in Central Africa.

The Allies carried the war into the African colonies immediately upon its outbreak in 1914. Germany at once protested that this was an infringement of the Congo Act of February 26, 1885 (Article XI) which bound the signatory powers to maintain neutrality in the Congo Basin in case of war. Belgium supported Germany in an attempt to enforce this treaty, but they were overruled by Great Britain and France. Togoland surrendered to the combined British and French forces in 1914, and Kamerun in 1916. Great Britain and France then maintained a combined military administration over these territories. By a secret treaty of 1916 they agreed to divide them at the close of the war. East Africa held out against British and Belgian forces, not finally surrendering until the armistice. It was partly occupied, however, by a British provisional civil administration, January 1, 1917, which was extended to include the greater part of the colony on March 18, 1918.

THEORY OF MANDATE SYSTEM

Instead of annexing the former German colonies at the end of the war, the Allies devised the mandate system, a novelty in international relations, and incorporated that system in the Covenant of the League of Nations.

Theoretically, the mandate system placed the peoples not yet able to stand by themselves under the tutelage and protection of advanced nations, acting on behalf of the League, who were to regard their tutelage as a sacred trust of civilization. (See Article XXII of the Covenant, p. 22.) The mandates were divided into three types. The second type, known as Class B mandates, was defined as including those peoples of Central Africa who were at a stage of development such as to demand special protection. Hence the inhabitants were to be regarded as the wards of the mandatories.

This principle of trusteeship was reaffirmed when pronounced by the Allies as the justification for depriving Germany of her colonies. Finally, the principle of trusteeship was safe-guarded by the provision of Article XXII that the League, through either its members or its Council, was to define explicitly the authority, control and administration to be exercised by the mandatory; and by the creation of the Permanent Mandates Commission to receive the annual reports from the mandatories.

ALLOCATION OF THE MANDATES

The Treaty of Versailles (Article CXIX) transferred the German colonies directly to the principal Allied and Associated Powers. Hence it was the Allied Supreme Council, not the League of Nations, which proceeded to allocate the mandates. By a decision of May 7, 1919, before the Treaty of Versailles had been signed, Great Britain was designated as the mandatory for German East Africa, now called Tanganyika, and Great Britain and France were authorized to make a joint recommendation for the disposal at Togoland and the Cameroons. In accordance with agreements reached between these powers, each of them was given a mandate over a part of Togoland and the Cameroons, the greater part being allotted to France in each instance. Subsequent negotiations between Great Britain and Belgium separated the provinces of Ruanda-Urundi from Tanganyika and placed them under the mandate of Belgium.

The mandatories delimited their own boundaries, with little regard for native interests. For instance, the first boundary between Tanganyika and Ruanda-Urundi bisected a tribe, depriving one part of its pasturage. This was later adjusted, due to objections raised by the Permanent Mandates Commission. The boundary between British and French Cameroons also bisects a tribe; it has not yet been rectified.

DETERMINATION OF THE TERMS OF THE MANDATES

According to Article XXII of the Covenant, "the degree of authority, control or administration to be exercised by the Mandatory shall, if not previously agreed upon by the members of the League, be explicitly defined in each case by the Council." Nevertheless, it was the mandatories themselves which drafted the terms of their own mandates and then submitted the drafts to the Council, which approved them with slight modifications. It was not until July, 1922, however, that the terms of the mandates were finally approved by the Council. The delay was due to the action of the United States Government, which insisted that before the mandates could be put into effect, American approval of their terms was necessary. Agreement on the outstanding points was reached by means of direct negotiations between the American Government and the individual mandatories.

SUMMARY OF THE TERMS OF THE MANDATES

The terms of the various B mandates are practically the same. (See text of British mandate for the Cameroons, Annex II, p. 23.) They provide that the mandatory shall have full powers of administration and legislation, that the administration of neighboring areas belonging to the mandatory may be extended to include the mandated sphere, and that the mandates may be governed as integral parts of the mandatory's territory. Thus Tanganyika is administered as a Crown Colony; British Togo-

land and Cameroons are under the governors of the Gold Coast and Nigeria respectively, whereas French Togoland and Cameroons are regarded as parts of French colonial Africa and are ruled by commissioners. Ruanda-Urundi has been placed under an administrative union with the Belgian Congo, by a law of August, 1925. This law provides for such close identification of both territory and inhabitants with the Congo that Germany has protested both to the Belgian Government and to the League, against what appears to be an abrogation of the mandate system, amounting to a veiled annexation.

The terms of the B mandates further provide for freedom of conscience and religious worship, strict control of arms traffic and of the sale of spirituous liquors, suppression of slave trade, elimination of slavery as quickly as possible, and prohibition of forced labor except for essential public works and services. Land laws are to be framed with regard to native customs and native rights and interests. The establishment of fortifications and the organization of native troops, except for local defense and police duty, are forbidden. An exception to this rule, apparently in contravention of Article XXII of the Covenant, was made in the French mandates for Togoland and the Cameroons, which provide that the native troops may be used for defense of territory outside the mandated area, in the event of general war.

As stipulated in Article XXII of the Covenant, all the B mandates grant complete economic, commercial and industrial equality within these territories to all League members.

ADMINISTRATION OF MANDATES AND FORMER GERMAN COLONIES

It is only possible in this report to indicate the results achieved in the more important branches of administration under the mandates system, and under German control. In connection with health, education and economic and financial conditions, data drawn from official reports to the Mandates Commission, and official German colonial reports, have been correlated and assembled in tables in order to bring out more clearly the comparative records of the different administrations. While

accurate, the tables are not exhaustive. Hence conclusions should not be hastily drawn.

With reference to such abuses as slavery, compulsory labor and liquor traffic, and the organization of military forces, the practices differ so widely from one territory to another that the use of tables is impractical. The following paragraphs indicate in a general way the measures in force in the mandated areas, and the record under German administration.

SLAVERY

The slave trade, which was flourishing when Germany acquired her colonies, had been virtually abolished by the beginning of the twentieth century, and domestic slavery had been progressively reduced by legislation enacted between 1902 and 1912. When the World War broke out, slavery in the German colonies had been almost eliminated, except for the rapidly decreasing domestic type.

Although the domestic slavery inherent in native customs still exists in certain communities, slavery had been legally abolished in all the mandated areas. An important exception is the slave trade in the northern section of the British Cameroons, reported as rampant in 1924, and extending to some degree into the French Cameroons.

COMPULSORY LABOR

Under German administration, compulsory labor in the present mandated areas was limited to public works, and was paid. Forced labor for private work was prohibited by law, with the exception of a single district—Usambara. Labor contracts were strictly regulated by legislation adopted between 1905-1913, covering wages, transportation to place of work, overtime, medical care, housing, food and punishment. Flogging was permitted, but was under strict regulation. The native practice of permitting chiefs to requisition labor for community work existed under the German administration, however, and violations of the labor legislation were as elsewhere, frequent.

While technical slavery has largely disappeared, practical slavery, in the form of forced labor exists throughout the mandat-

ed areas. Many districts have suffered from a shortage of labor in proportion to the demand for development works, railroads, and plantations undertaken by European settlers, with the result that all forms of compulsory labor have been resorted to. Present conditions are reported as so incompatible with the terms of the mandates that their revision was suggested in a memorandum to the seventh session of the Mandates Commission. Reports to the Commission further indicate that the terms of the mandates regarding labor contracts, health of laborers, inspection, etc., have not been carried out.

Detailed information in regard to forced labor in the mandated areas is incomplete and often lacking entirely, although it has been constantly demanded by the Mandates Commission. Such data as are available, however, indicate that conditions are far far from satisfactory in all of the areas, with the possible exception of British Togo-In Tanganyika (British) a great land. amount of forced labor is employed for public works, and the term is given the broadest interpretation. This native labor is conscripted for the loading of steamers for the Uganda Marine, and for distribution of cotton seed. Labor in lieu of taxation is permitted if the native is unable to pay cash. Breaches of labor contracts are penal offenses. Whipping is permitted in cases of failure to obey the administrative officer, and is not regulated by ordinance.

In British Cameroons work on government and private plantations is entirely unsupervised, regulations for control and inspection of privately employed labor are apparently lacking, and indescribable working and living conditions are reported as common. There is no compulsory labor, except that permitted by native chiefs, according to the reports submitted to the Mandates Commission.

No serious labor problem is reported in British Togoland.

Serious complaints regarding labor conditions in French Togoland and French Cameroons have been received by the Mandates Commission, and inquiries are being pushed. Many natives are reported to have fied to Spanish and Portuguese

African territory to escape the alleged abuses. A form of compulsory labor exists in the practice of imposing a labor levy, or a tax to be paid in labor. Native chiefs are also permitted to demand compulsory unpaid labor for community work.

In Ruanda-Urundi (Belgian mandate) two kinds of compulsory labor exist, both of which, according to the terms of the mandates, are illegal. Under an ordinance of November 7, 1924, residents may require natives to engage in unremunerated productive work. Native chiefs are permitted to demand forty-two days paid labor from natives, in addition to the necessary work for community needs. Both of these practices were declared to be contrary to the spirit and terms of the mandates at the last meeting of the Mandates Commission in 1925.

TRAFFIC IN

No uniform policy in regard to the traffic in liquor exists in the mandated areas. Article XXII of the Covenant called for "prohibition of the liquor traffic." The terms of the mandates interpreted this as "a strict control" of the sale of liquor, and the International Convention of Saint Germain (September 10, 1919) by which all the mandatories are bound, prohibited importation, distribution, sale and possession of "trade spirits" of every kind. The definition of "trade spirits" has been left to the governments concerned and has been variously interpreted. In general, the term means distilled spirits sold or bartered to natives as an article of trade.

The importation of trade spirits is prohibited in Tanganyika, British Togoland and the Cameroons, and there are zones of total prohibition in the last two territories. Belgian and British mandated territories in East Africa are also prohibited zones, according to Article XCI of the Brussels Act of 1890.

In spite of these various prohibitions, importation of alcoholic liquors is increasing in the French mandated territories, and smuggling is reported in British territories. The importation of alcoholic liquors into the French Cameroons increased from 44,657 litres in 1921 to 122,987 litres in 1923.

Under Article XCI of the Brussels Act, all of East Africa, two-thirds of Kamerun and one-fourth of Togo were subject to prohibition under the former German colonial administration. Imports of alcoholic liquor into Kamerun decreased from 20,000 hektolitres in 1898 to 10,000 in 1912, and in Togo from 16,000 in 1898 to 9,670 in 1912.

MILITARIZATION

The clause contained in the terms of the mandates which forbids the organization of native military forces except for police and protection is observed apparently in British territory. The British have also waived their right to recruit natives from the mandated territories for service outside the boundaries of the mandated territory.

The French, on the other hand, incorporated an additional clause in the terms of the mandates which permits France to use native troops recruited for police, in the event of general war, to repel an attack or for the

defense of her territory outside the mandated areas. Although this clause does not apply to times of general peace, France maintained a military force of natives and regular troops in both Togo and Cameroons until January 1, 1925. Not until that date were her military forces in the mandated areas separated from those of the neighboring colonies.

Belgium spent 600,000 francs for the maintenance of military forces in Ruanda-Urundi during 1923-1924.

Military service in the former German colonies was limited to native troops for protection and police duty. Germany had, therefore, no colonial army, as the figures for 1914 show.

	Troops	Police
East Africa	2472	2140
Kamerun	1550	1255
Togoland	5 50	650

Under Germany

The following tables indicate in a general way the comparative records in the fields of Education, Public Health, and Economics and Finance.

Comparative Records of Administration

TABLE I. EDUCATION

Under Mandatory Powers

Onder Germany	Under Mandato	ory Powers
GERMAN EAST AFRICA	TANGANYIKA	RUANDA-URUNDI
1 GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS	1. GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS	1. GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS
2. Mission Schools	2. Mission Schools No subsidies granted by Government, no Government inspection. Most of the missions report their schools unopened since the war. Missionaries	2. Mission Schools402 Pupils35,000 Government subsidy, 87,400 francs
3. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION Inspectors and traveling teachers: Expert agriculturists	3. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION The work of the Amani Institute has been curtailed. Small number of agricultural inspectors.	3. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION Agricultural school

	LDCCATION (Cont.)	_
Under Germany KAMERUN 1. GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS4 Manual training schools2 Agricultural schools2 Pupils	BRITISH CAMEROONS 1. GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS	### Action of Company Services
2. MISSION SCHOOLS	2. MISSION SCHOOLS38 Pupils1,300	2. MISSION SCHOOLS
3. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION Experimental Agricultural Institute (Victoria)	3. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION No agricultural training nor inspection.	3. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION Agricultural schools
TOGOLAND 1. GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS	BRITISH TOGOLAND 1. GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS0	FRENCH TOGOLAND 1. GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS
2. Mission Schools	2. MISSION SCHOOLS a.) Protestant mission schools 43 Pupils	2. Mission Schools
	Pupils	

EDUCATION (Cont.)

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Under Germany
3. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION (In addition to the government school mentioned above.)
Agricultural institutes1
Cotton culture stations3
Staff of 15 to direct and instruct native industry.
Government appropriation for agriculture (1910)
74,000 marks
GERMAN EAST AFRICA
Medical staff48
(Including staff of phy- sicians to fight sleeping
sicians to fight sleeping sickness)
Sanitary officers to fight sleep- ing sickness16
Hospitals for Europeans3
Native hospitals attached3
Medical stations24
Stations for sleeping sickness3
Number of sleeping sickness
patients under care3,038
Research institute for sleep- ing sickness1
(Another planned in 1914.)
Hygiene taught in 89 Pro-
testant and Catholic mission stations.
Number of native patients
in 1914 in government sta-
tions60,000
Number of vaccinations, 1909-

in 1914 in government stations60,000
Number of vaccinations, 1909- 1914 (yearly average)700,000
1514 (yearly average)
KAMERUN
European doctors, 191443
European nurses, 19148
Staff to fight sleeping sick- ness, 1914:
Doctors7
Zoologist1
European sanitary helpers20
Sleeping sickness stations, 19143
Patients under treatment for sleeping sickness, 19141,000
Hospital for Europeans and
natives1 (Additional small hospitals for natives)
Native patients, 191313,402
Appropriation for health
work, 19131,900,000 marks
(Including 550,000 marks for sleeping sickness.)

EDUCATION (Cont.)

Under Mandatory Powers

TABLE II. PUBLIC HEALTH

TANGANYIKA
Medical staff20
Medical centers34
In-patients treated, 192421,686
Out-patients treated, 1924 146,010
Number of hospitals undergoing extension in 19245
Expenditure on health in 1924 £119,249

RUANDA-URUNDI
Medical staff:
European doctors4
Sanitary agents2
Hospitals3
Dispensaries at all govern- ment posts and missionary stations.
In-patients treated, 19232,064
Out-patients treated, 1923247,100
Vaccinations, 192370,509
Appropriation for health work in 192495,000 francs
Actual expenditure19,354 francs
Budget for 1925300,000 francs

BRITISH CAMEROONS
European doctors3
European nurses0
Native helpers47
European hospital1 (8 beds)
Native hospitals4 (small)
Natives treated, 19246,852
Expenditure on health, 1924 £12,981

FRENCH CAMEROONS
Doctors20
(13 of these attached to co-
lonial troops, 7 civil phy- sicians.)
Central hospitals5
Patients treated, 19246,729
Expenditure on health, 1924
2,211,000 francs
Appropriation to fight sleep- ing sickness, 1922
236,790 francs

Imports (1912) ..11,427,000 marks

Exports (1912)9,958,000 marks

Surplus, 19248,000,000 francs

Imports, 192454,925,943 francs Exports, 192461,171,420 francs

HEALTH (Cont.) Under Germany Under Mandatory Powers TOGOLAND BRITISH TOGOLAND FRENCH TOGOLAND Medical officers2 European doctors6 European doctors16 European hospitals2 Sanitary inspector1 Native assistants48 Native hospitals6 Nurses2 Hospitals4 Hospitals1 Patients treated, 1924754 Patients treated in 19137,338 Appropriation for public Patients treated, 19241.412 Vaccinations administered in health in 1924879,121 francs 1913128.000 Vaccinations administered in 1923-19248,756 Expenditure for health in 1924£2,400 TABLE III. **ECONOMICS AND FINANCE** RUANDA-URUNDI GERMAN EAST AFRICA TANGANYIKA Revenues, 1923-24£1,315,188 Surplus, 1924200,000 francs Revenue and expenditure, 191354,760,000 marks Expenditures, 1923-24 ..£1,901,158 Imports (1924) ..2,761,449 francs Imports (1924)£2,062,646 Deficit40,940,000 marks Exports (1924) ..9,532,685 francs Exports (1924)£2,695,284 Imports (1912) ..50,309,000 marks Exports (1912) ..31,418,000 marks KAMERUN BRITISH CAMEROONS FRENCH CAMEROONS Revenues, 1923-24£66,324 Revenue and expenditure, Surplus, 19246,911,265 francs 191315,340,000 marks Expenditures, 1923-24£119,662 Imports (1924) ..73,947,426 francs Deficit, 1923-1924£53,338 Deficit6,440,000 marks Exports (1924) ..66,955,692 francs Imports (1924)£45,948 Imports (1912) ..34,241,000 marks Exports (1912) ..23,336,000 marks Exports (1924)£112,195 FRENCH TOGOLAND TOGOLAND BRITISH TOGOLAND Revenues, 1923-24£20,081 Revenues, 192415,000,000 francs Revenue and expenditure, 19133,380,000 marks Expenditures, 1923-24£49,369 Expenditures, 1924 No deficit. Imports, 1923-1924£22,801 7,000,000 francs

Exports, 1923-1924£115,230

ANNEX I.

Article XXII of the Covenant of the League of Nations

To those colonies and territories which as a consequence of the late war have ceased to be under the sovereignty of the States which formerly governed them and which are inhabited by peoples not yet able to stand by themselves under the strenuous conditions of the modern world, there should be applied the principle that the well-being and development of such peoples form a sacred trust of civilization and that securities for the performance of this trust should be embodied in this Covenant.

The best method of giving practical effect to this principle is that the tutelage of such peoples should be entrusted to advanced nations which, by reason of their resources, their experience or their geographical position, can best undertake this responsibility, and which are willing to accept it, and that this tutelage should be exercised by them as Mandatories on behalf of the League.

The character of the mandate must differ according to the stage of the development of the people, the geographical situation of the territory, its economic conditions and other similar circumstances.

Certain communities formerly belonging to the Turkish Empire have reached a stage of development where their existence as independent nations can be provisionally recognized subject to the rendering of administrative advice and assistance by a Mandatory until such time as they are able to stand alone. The wishes of these communities must be a principal consideration in the selection of the Mandatory.

Other peoples, especially those of Central Africa, are at such a stage that the Mandatory must be re-

sponsible for the administration of the territory under conditions which will guarantee freedom of conscience or religion, subject only to the maintenance of public order and morals, the prohibition of abuses such as the slave trade, the arms traffic and the liquor traffic, and the prevention of the establishment of fortifications or military and naval bases and of military training of the natives for other than police purposes and the defense of territory, and will also secure equal opportunities for the trade and commerce of other Members of the League.

There are territories, such as South-West Africa and certain of the South Pacific Islands, which, owing to the sparseness of their population, or their small size, or their remoteness from the centres of civilization, or their geographical contiguity to the territory of the Mandatory or other circumstances, can be best administered under the laws of the Mandatory as integral portions of its territory, subject to the safeguards above mentioned in the interests of the indigenous population.

In every case of mandate, the Mandatory shall render to the Council an annual report in reference to the territory committed to its charge.

The degree of authority, control or administration to be exercised by the Mandatory shall, if not previously agreed upon by the Members of the League, be explicitly defined in each case by the Council.

A permanent Commission shall be constituted to receive and examine the annual reports of the Mandatories and to advise the Council on all matters relating to the observance of the mandates.

ANNEX II.

British Mandate for the Cameroons

Article I.

(Description of the boundary.)

Article II.

The Mandatory shall be responsible for the peace, order and good government of the territory, and for the promotion to the utmost of the material and moral well-being and the social progress of its inhabitants.

Article III.

The Mandatory shall not establish in the territory any military or naval bases, nor erect any fortifications, nor organize any native military force except for local police purposes and for the defense of the territory.*

Article IV.

The Mandatory:

- (1) Shall provide for the eventual emancipation of all slaves, and for as speedy an elimination of domestic and other slavery as social conditions will allow:
 - (2) Shall suppress all forms of slave trade;
- (3) Shall prohibit all forms of forced or compulsory labour, except for esential public works and services, and then only in return for adequate remuneration;
- (4) Shall protect the natives from abuse and measures of fraud and force by the careful supervision of labour contracts and the recruiting of labour;
- (5) Shall exercise a strict control over the traffic in arms and ammunition and the sale of spirituous liquors.

Article V.

In the framing of laws relating to the holding or transfer of land, the Mandatory shall take into consideration native laws and customs, and shall respect the rights and safeguard the interests of the native population.

No native land may be transferred, except between natives, without the previous consent of the public authorities, and no real rights over native land in favour of non-natives may be created except with the same consent.

The Mandatory shall promulgate strict regulations against usury.

Article VI.

The Mandatory shall secure to all nationals of States Members of the League of Nations the same rights as are enjoyed in the territory by his own nationals in respect of entry into and residence in the territory, the protection afforded to their person and property, and acquisition of property, movable and immovable, and the exercise of their profession or trade, subject only to the requirements of public order, and on condition of compliance with the local law.

Further, the Mandatory shall ensure to all nationals of States Members of the League of Nations on the same footing as to his own nationals, freedom of transit and navigation, and complete economic, commercial and industrial equality; except that the Mandatory shall be free to organize essential public works and services on such terms and conditions as he thinks just.

Concessions for the development of the natural resources of the territory shall be granted by the Mandatory without distinction on grounds of nationality between the nationals of all States Members of the League of Nations, but on such conditions as will maintain intact the authority of the local Government.

Concessions having the character of a general monopoly shall not be granted. This provision does not affect the right of the Mandatory to create monopolies of a purely fiscal character in the interest of the territory under mandate and in order to provide the territory with fiscal resources which seem best suited to the local requirements; or, in certain cases, to carry out the development of natural resources, either directly by the State or by a controlled agency, provided that there shall result therefrom no monopoly of the natural resources for the benefit of the Mandatory or his nationals, directly or indirectly, nor any preferential advantage which shall be inconsistent with the economic, commercial and industrial equality hereinbefore guaranteed.

The rights conferred by this article extend equally to companies and associations organized in accordance with the law of any of the Members of the League of Nations, subject only to the requirements of public order, and on condition of compliance with the local law.

Article VII.

The Mandatory shall ensure in the territory complete freedom of conscience and the free exercise of all forms of worship which are consonant with public order and morality; missionaries who are nationals of States Members of the League of Nations shall be free to enter the territory and to travel and reside therein, to acquire and possess property, to erect religious buildings and to open schools throughout the territory; it being understood, however, that the Mandatory shall have the right to exercise such control as may be necessary for the maintenance of public order and good government, and to take all measures required for such control.

^{*} The French Mandates for Togoland and the Cameroons contain the following additional paragraph:

[&]quot;It is understood, however, that the troops thus raised may, in the event of general war, be utilized to repel an attack or for defence of the territory outside that subject to the Mandate."

Article VIII.

The Mandatory shall apply to the territory any general international conventions applicable to his contiguous territory.

Article IX.

The Mandatory shall have full powers of administration and legislation in the area subject to the mandate. This area shall be administered in accordance with the laws of the Mandatory as an integral part of his territory and subject to the above provisions.

The Mandatory shall therefore be at liberty to apply his laws to the territory under the mandate subject to the modifications required by local conditions, and to constitute the territory into a customs, fiscal or administrative union or federation with the adjacent territories under his sovereignty or control, provided always that the measures adopted to that end do not infringe the provisions of this mandate.

Article X.

The Mandatory shall make to the Council of the League of Nations an annual report to the satisfaction of the Council, containing full information concerning the measures taken to apply the provisions of this mandate.

Article XI.

The consent of the Council of the League of Nations is required for any modification of the terms of this mandate.

Article XII.

The Mandatory agrees that, if any dispute whatever should arise between the Mandatory and another Member of the League of Nations relating to the interpretation or the application of the provisions of the mandate, such dispute, if it cannot be settled by negotiation, shall be submitted to the Permanent Court of International Justice provided for by Article XIV of the Covenant of the League of Nations.

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